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THE LAWRENCE TRAGEDY.

PURSUIT OF QUANTREL'S GANG.

Skirmishing With His Party and their Dispersal.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 24—11 p. m.—Gen. Ewing has just returned from the pursuit of Quantrel. The rebel force at Lawrence is estimated at not over three hundred. They disbanded at the head of Grand River—some going south, some northeast, others scattering into the brush. Our forces have been divided accordingly, and are closely pursuing.

Continued skirmishing is going on. Lieut. Col. Lazear, with two squadrons of the 1st Missouri cavalry and State militia, had an engagement with one hundred guerillas, on Big Creek, near Harrisonville, Mo., killing five and capturing quite a number. A considerable number of good horses were taken from Lawrence.

Thirty-one guerillas have been killed as far as heard from.

Gen. Schofield to-day promulgated the following order. It will be seen he offers liberty to returned rebels who take the oath and give bonds:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 25, 1863. }

Large numbers of men are leaving the broken rebel armies in the Mississippi valley, and returning to Missouri. Many of them doubtless come back with the purpose of following a career of plunder and murder, under the form of guerilla warfare, while others would gladly return to their homes as peaceable citizens, if permitted to do so, and protected from violence.

The State is in danger of a repetition of the scenes of violence and bloodshed which characterized the months of July and August, 1862. The united efforts of all loyal and peaceably disposed citizens, as well as of the troops of this Department will be required to avert this evil. It is the desire of the commanding General that all those who voluntarily abandon the rebel cause, and desire to return to their allegiance to the United States, shall be permitted to do so under such restrictions as the public peace shall require.

All such persons may surrender themselves and their arms at the nearest military post and will be released upon taking the oath of allegiance and giving bonds for their future good conduct. They will be required to reside in such portion of Missouri or other State as the Provost Marshal who releases them shall direct. All who shall fail to comply with these conditions and shall remain within our lines without renewing their allegiance will be treated as criminals, according to the laws of war.

Those who shall engage in robbery, murder, or other similar crimes, will be exterminated without mercy. Humanity demands of the commanding General of this Department the most prompt and energetic measures for the repression of such crimes. All citizens are notified that the harboring, concealing, or in any manner assisting the escape of murderers, robbers, or marauders, will be punished with the utmost severity of military law.

The commanding General demands of every citizen the full discharge of his duty in this regard. Those who neglect it will be held responsible, in their persons and property, for the damage that may result from their neglect and will be punished at the discretion of a military commission. If milder means shall fail, the commanding General will order the destruction or seizure of property, the expulsion of disloyal persons in those portions of the State which are made the haunts of guerillas. To enable them to protect themselves from violence, arms will be issued to the troops when necessary, all loyal and peaceable citizens in Missouri will be permitted to bear arms. As far as practicable, arms which have heretofore been taken from such citizens, will be returned to them.

By command of MAJ. GEN. SCHOFIELD.

Our cavalry in Calloway and adjoining counties are engaged in a regular guerilla hunt after Quantrel and his party. Small squads of guerillas took place on Thursday in the Ozark Mountain country, in which we lost three and the guerillas fifteen men. We captured horses, arms, etc., in proportion.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 25.—The Union Merchants' Exchange passed a resolution, to-day, condoling with the citizens of Lawrence, and appointing a committee to collect contributions for the relief of the sufferers.

Gen. Schofield has issued a strong order against bush whackers and guerillas, and permitting loyal citizens to bear arms for their own protection and to aid the troops when necessary.

FROM ST. PAUL.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
ST. PAUL, Aug. 25, 1863.

The Democratic convention met to-day to appoint delegates to the State Convention which meets on Wednesday. They passed resolutions instructing the delegates to support ex-Senator Henry M. Rice, in the State Convention, for the office of Governor. The Copperheads have been denouncing Rice bitterly for the last year, and especially so this summer; but hoping to win with his name at the head of their ticket, they have offered to let him make his own platform, and select the nominee for the ticket. If he will accept, As he is shrewd enough to see that it will take a majority of the votes cast in the State to elect him, it is doubtful whether he accepts, even under these circumstances, but his nomination is almost certain if he says the word at present.

Mr. Rice is seriously ill at his house in this city, suffering from a hemorrhage.

Rice stock stands well, there is more probability of his getting the nomination than there is of his accepting. The Copperheads have imported the great living martyr Edson B. Olds, who performs at the International Hotel this evening. He brings a supply of waste paper.

Dates from the Indian expedition up to the 18th bring nothing startling. They are journeying homeward without accident, and expected to reach Fort Abercrombie last Thursday, the 20th.

FROM CINCINNATI.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
CINCINNATI, Aug. 26, 1863.

Election returns from 102 counties of Kentucky, give Brambette 50,000 majority. Four counties are yet to be heard from, which will be most likely to run the majority up to 60,000.

A number of the most influential War Democrats of this city and county, have united for the purpose of calling a mass meeting of the War Democrats of Hamilton county, to be held on Thursday evening. The movement promises to be a grand success.

Gen. U. S. Grant is expected here to-night. It is not known how long he will remain.

The Catawba, one of the iron gunboats building at the navy yard here, is rapidly approaching completion, but will probably not be launched for three or four months. Her model is the same as Ericsson's monitors, but much smaller.

There is nothing new either from Columbus, or Kentucky.

FROM SPRINGFIELD.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 25, 1863.

The Danville affair has culminated in the death of three men and the wounding of seven others. The Copperheads seemed prepared for a violent outbreak, and were armed to the teeth, while the Union men are determined to suppress all treasonable practices in Vermillion county. The authorities have taken the matter in hand, and will see that order is speedily restored.

The Copperhead papers are trying to prove that early in 1861, Gen. John A. Logan's position was friendly to the rebels, yet he was in solitary confinement with these same Copperheads. Now they say that he has changed; in other words, that he has taken ground for his country and the policy of the Government, and they denounce him with all the vehemence and vituperation of the rebels themselves.

The organization of the State militia under Gov. Yates' last call, is specially progressing. Companies are reporting from all parts of the State, and are asking for arms with which to defend themselves against the frequent threats of the Copperheads.

The preparations for the Illinois State Fair are being rapidly completed. The fare on all railroads in the State will be reduced one-half. A splendid trotting course, fifty feet wide and half a mile in length, is completed. An immense attendance is expected.

The State of Pennsylvania has purchased a piece of ground for a cemetery for the burial of all Union soldiers killed at the recent battle at Gettysburg. The dead of each State—where known—are to be buried by themselves. Gov. Yates is making arrangements to have a suitable place selected for the burial of all Illinois soldiers. A monument is to be erected on the ground, and the place properly cared for and kept in good condition.

The following named Illinois officers have been promoted since our last report:

Lieut. Frederick F. Lewis, to be Captain of Co. G, 8th, vice Davis, resigned.

1st Lieut. Levi Davis, Jr., to be 1st Lieutenant of Co. G, 8th, vice Lewis, promoted.

The Illinois soldiers, through the influence of Gov. Yates, are being transferred to hospitals within this State. It is feared we have not accommodations for all, and application is to be made for the establishment of another U. S. General Hospital in this State.

FROM MISSOURI.

Gen. Schofield's New Order to Returning Rebels.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
ST. LOUIS, Aug. 25, 1863.

THE LOSS OF THE STEAMER MADISON.

[Special Correspondence to the Chicago Tribune.]
VICKSBURG, Aug. 18, 1863.

The most violent explosion that ever occurred in this city or vicinity, since or previous to the bombardment, took place this day at 10:30 a. m. The steamer City of Madison was literally blowed to atoms. In one second after the explosion, what was left of this fine steamer, excepting a small proportion of her starboard wheel house, sank out of sight. The steamer Ed. Walsh, laying alongside, had all of her starboard guards, wheel house, texas, pilot house and cabin torn to splinters. Fortunately up to this hour 4 p. m. We have not heard of any one being killed on the Walsh, but a number of badly wounded. The City of Madison had last on hour previous to the explosion returned from the other side of the river, where she had been coaling prior to her departure below. She was loading with a large lot of ordnance stores, clothing, &c., &c., and had nearly completed her loading when this terrible explosion occurred. The facts connected with, and the cause of the explosion, I have from one of the deck hands, and the only one living, who was stowing the starboard side of the boat. He says he was on one side of the hood and his partner on the other, with eight colored soldiers on a side, stowing hard ammunition, percussion shells, &c., in boxes, when one of the colored soldiers, in a slip accidentally from the top of the hatch a box containing percussion shells, and striking on the bottom of the boat with such force as to explode one of the shells. He then ran to the after part of the boat, and crawled out of the after hatch, and just as he was getting out of the hatch the great explosion took place as above. There were some forty colored soldiers detailed to finish loading the boat, but only a portion was on board at the time of the explosion. Up to this time, 4 p. m. we there have been six dead soldiers taken out from the ruins of the wreck, and the second engineer and fireman, and Sam Lang, a private of Co. C, 8th Indiana, and one other soldier and a deck hand. Also Lieut. Mitchell, a brave, and accomplished officer of the 1st Missouri battery, (ordnance officer.) He was at the time of the explosion standing on the boiler deck, in conversation with Col. Davidson, and at the first appearance of danger Capt. Davidson suggested to the Lieutenant that it would be prudent to retire to the interior of the boat, and instantly the Captain left, and within two seconds the first and last explosion took place, and Lieut. Mitchell was no more seen till taken from the wreck a mangled and lifeless corpse. Col. Neil, commander of the boat, was sick, and in one of the staterooms in the ladies' cabin, and narrowly escaped with his life. He had one leg broken, and was otherwise injured. The chambermaid was taken out of the water alive, also a white lady. Five of the colored deck hands, including two about twelve years old are still alive, but probably not more than one of them will recover. It is reported that the explosion shook the windows in the building at Big Black, thirteen miles from here. It knocked the windows out of the Prentiss House, those fronting on the river each and all. It also knocked down soldiers, citizens and horses on the levee, was walking down Washington street at the time, a quarter of a mile from the scene of disaster, the ground trembled and seemed to fairly heave up and down and caused all to stagger and reel, from the concussion. I immediately started with what resolution and speed I was able to command to the scene of disaster. In the meantime citizens and soldiers that were on the levee, were all making one grand rush up towards Washington street crying out that the fixed ammunition, shells, &c., on the levee in front of the City of Madison was on fire, consisting of 3 thousand boxes or more. Notwithstanding all these reports I hurried on and gained the top of the levee in front of the wreck, and the fire I saw with down was Col. Selby, of the 45th Illinois infantry, on horseback, closely followed by Lieut. Branch, both of the Provost Marshal's force, and Morehouse of the Secret Service Department, and Col. McCook of the 81st Illinois infantry. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon these officers for their vigilance and exertions in behalf of the dead, dying and wounded. Col. Wilson, Provost Marshal, at once dispatched all of his available force to the scene of disaster, and under the direction of that able and efficient officer Col. Sealy, there was a guard stationed around and near the scene of disaster to keep the crowd back, and to protect a mass. But precedents against them, and the scheme will fail. I will go off quietly in Chicago, as the medical sub-committee, will be there. Some of them seem to have left Quincy already.

I also met Brigadier General Tuttle, here, he is coming to Chicago for medical counsel. His own folly has put him before the court of inquiry. The intense that he has become from leading loyal men, to be classed as the head of enemies of the State. They declare he was bribed, &c. He was bought up by the of the Governorship of Iowa. Let have one to it that such moral weakness should be longer wielded.

Boats from Cairo and below is of ordinary interest. Our dispatch-from Memphis correspondent reports an encouraging aspect of affairs in that city. The following letter gives interesting details of the disaster to the steamer Madison:

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Gen. Grant has issued an order providing for the reception of repentant rebels, who are admitted to loyal society again, upon taking the oath of allegiance, under certain restrictions. Among the inducements are that they can get upon the kind of built vessels, both in and out of Mississippi, that is the only one that they will be allowed to catch rebels with. Nothing to be [illegible], in order to offer as a reward for returning loyalty. Discount among her property, can see in that direction. It will prove a dark and bitter day for all of Quantrel's hordes, that which was the atrocity whose expiation they have given no such hint. By municipal sub-committee have been called on by the managers of the Chicago Fair, to contract for the delivery at Chicago, alive, or dead, or in (low) of the very large fine these gentlemen have in their ears as the sole result of their ambition to the enrollment officers in this city. Strangely enough, these officers refused to acknowledge that the jurisdiction of Alderman Roberts and his police was quite concurrent with that of Provost Marshal General. They only looked over their list to see that the requisition themselves were duly enrolled, and then advised them that was all they had to do with the matter. Hence the special report, hence the [illegible] ions of the labor of the Copperhead assertion from which they will not be able to produce a case. But precedents against them, and the scheme will fail. They will go off quietly in Chicago, as the medical sub-committee, will be there. Some of them seem to have left Quincy already.

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UNION NEGRO SOLDIERS PRISONERS.

What the Rebels Propose to Do with Them.—Important Order from Gen. Beauregard.

On this very important subject, in reply to some strictures of the Charleston *Mercury* (under the apprehension,) the Chief of Staff of Gen. Beauregard has addressed to that journal the following letter:

HEADQUARTERS DEPT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA AND FLORIDA, }
CHARLESTON, S. C., August 12, 1863. }

Colonel R. B. Rhett, Jr., Editor of *Mercury*:

In the *Mercury* of this date you appear to have written under a misapprehension of the facts connected with the present status of the negroes captured in arms on Morris and James Islands, which permit me to state as follows:

By proclamation of the President, dated December 26, 1862, direction that all negro slaves captured in arms, should be at once delivered over to the executive authorities of the respective States to which they belong, to deal with according to the laws of said States.

An informal application was made by the State authorities for the negroes captured in this vicinity; but as none of them, it appeared, had been slaves of citizens of South Carolina, they were not turned over to the civil authority, for at the moment there was no official information at those headquarters of the act of Congress by which all negroes are confiscated, who shall be engaged in war or be taken in arms against the Confederate States," or shall give aid or comfort to the enemies of the Confederacy. They are directed to be turned over to the authorities of the "State or States in which they shall be captured, to be dealt with according to the present or future laws of such State or States."

On the 31st of July, however, the commanding General telegraphed to the Secretary of War for instructions as to the disposition to be made of the negroes captured on Morris and James Island, and on the 23d received a reply that they must be turned over to the State authorities, by virtue of the joint resolution of Congress in question.

Accordingly, on the 25th of July, as soon as a copy of the resolution or act was received, his Excellency, Gov. Bonham, was informed that the negroes captured were held subject to his orders, to be dealt with according to the laws of South Carolina.

On the same day (30th July) Gov. Bonham requested that they should be retained in military custody until he could make arrangements to dispose of them, and in that gentlemanly way will remain, awaiting the orders of the State authorities.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,
THOMAS JORDAN, Chief of Staff.

From Grant's Army.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 23.—An expedition of mounted infantry recently sent out from Natchez by Gen. Ransom, captured 1,000 bales of cotton marked "C. S. A." It is supposed to be a portion of the lot that the rebel Government has pledged on the loan in England.

News from the 15th Army Corps. Sherman's) on the Big Black, is to the effect that all continues quiet on the west side of the river. The rebel cavalry, under Wirt Adams, are now engaged in scouring the country and attacking foraging trains. There has been some slight skirmishing, but so far no loss on our side is reported—one man killed and two taken prisoners—all of the 58th Illinois—while on picket duty.

A portion of the 13th Army corps is reported to have gone to New Orleans, and to have relieved that portion of Banks' troops stationed at Lake Pontchartrain.

A Federal officer, of a Missouri regiment, has been arrested by order of Gen. Ransom, at Natchez, for having plundered a private residence on the Louisiana side of the river. His regiment was ordered from him, and he has been placed in confinement.

FROM CHARLESTON.

NEWS TO MONDAY, 24TH.

Sumter a Heap of Ruins.

Gen. Gilmore Shelling the City.

GRAND DISSOLVING VIEW OF NON-COMBATANTS.

THE END NEAR AT HAND.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25, 1863.

The following news has just been received from Fortress Monroe, telling of the partial reduction of Fort Sumter, and it is further stated that Charleston is being shelled. It is evident that our forces had gained other important advantages, in the way of an advance upon Charleston. Brig. Gen. Meredith telegraphs the following from Fortress Monroe to Secretary Stanton:

FORTRESS MONROE, Aug. 24.—The steamer from City Point has arrived.

The Richmond *Sentinel* of the 24th contains the following highly important dispatches:

CHARLESTON, Aug 22.—The fire of the enemy's land batteries has been kept up on Sumter, and more guns were disabled. There is also a heavy fire on Forts Wagner and Gregg from the fleet and land.

Gilmore's demand for the surrender of Sumter and Morris Island, with a threat to shell Charleston in twenty-four hours from the delivery of the papers at Fort Wagner, was received and returned this morning. Beauregard, in reply, charges inhumanity and violation of the laws of war against Gilmore, and affirms that if the offense is repeated, he will employ stringent measures of retaliation.

Up to this time, the threat to shell the city has not been executed.

CHARLESTON, August 23.—On Saturday, 604 shots were fired at Sumter; 419 struck, inside and outside. The east wall is scaled and battered and the parapet undermined. The northwest wall and arches have fallen in. The guns are all dismounted. On Sunday, the land batteries opened from the south and north, and monitors from the east and west, coming close up. The fire was very damaging. The shot swept through the fort. The shell wounded several officers, including Col. Rhett. The latter is ordered to hold out until relieved or the place is taken. Col. Guilford, of Wagner, is killed, and several wounded.

It is said there are 35 vessels outside the bar, including the Ironclads.

Gen. Gilmore sent notice on Sunday that at 11 o'clock to-morrow he would open on Charleston. In the meantime the non-combatants could leave.

FORTRESS MONROE, Aug. 24.—The steamer City of Richmond arrived at Hampton Roads, yesterday, at noon. She reports having left off Charleston at noon on Saturday last. The flags of Sumter were shot away on Thursday and Friday, and no reply was made to our bombardment, which was constantly kept up. The whole of the southwest side of Sumter had been demolished, and was nothing but a heap of ruins. On Friday morning nine breaches were observed in the fort. Our casualties reversed only about four daily.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Two steam transports from off Morris Island at midnight of the 21st, report that the bombardment continued. The south wall of Sumter had been demolished almost to its base. Wagner, Gregg and other batteries replied at their leisure.

An expedition was fitting to silence the James Island batteries, which has become annoying.

Every confidence in our success was felt by all.

NORFOLK, VA., August 25.—The Richmond *Examiner* of to-day has been received containing Charleston dates of Monday. An extract says, last night at 12 o'clock the enemy opened fire on the city, firing fifteen 8-inch Parrott shells, and non-combatants are hurrying in a tremendous stampede.

WASHINGTON, August 25.—A dispatch was received here to-day, dated Fortress Monroe, saying that Capt. Chisholm reports that Fort Sumter was reduced and Charleston shelled.

NEW YORK, August 25.—The steamer Constitution arrived this afternoon from Hilton Head the 22d, and Charleston bar at 5.30 p. m., the same date. She left at anchor off Charleston bar the U. S. steamer Brooklyn, with steam up for New York, having on board the remains of Capt. Rodgers and Paymaster Woodbury of the Catskill.

The bombardment was going on with great energy—firing very rapid.

The last report from Morris Island was that Fort Sumter had not responded to our guns for two days. Fort Sumter is certainly demolished, and Fort Moultrie has been silenced.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The schooner M. Rogers, from Folly Island 20th, reports that at 6 o'clock that day, the entire top of Fort Sumter was completely gone. Every parapet gun was dismounted and knocked into the sea. The siege was progressing terribly in earnest. It was reported also that Wagner would soon surrender.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—A Morris Island letter to the *Herald*, dated August 23th states:

The appearance of the gorge face of Sumter, last night, and its parapet, was not unlike that presented by Fort Pulaski, on the evening of the first day's fire. Thirty or forty large holes could be counted on the face of the work. The parapet had been knocked off in places. The barricade of bricks covering the magazines and sand traverses was seriously damaged, and the grim old fort looked as though she had received a terrible mauling at our hands. Three days of such work will bother even Gen. Beauregard the heads of its defenders, if they will so long. It certainly cannot hold out much longer than that time. Six days were given it to hold out, by those who best know its strength and our own offensive power.

Forts Wagner and Gregg will be attended to in due time.

[Special Correspondence of the Chicago Tribune.]
UNITED STATES IRON CLAD CATSKILL, }
OFF MORRIS ISLAND, S. C., Aug. 24, 1863. }

We had a stiff fight yesterday, which we had been expecting for a week, in which the following vessels bore an active part:

IRON CLADS.

Ironsides,	Catskill,	Weehawken,
Montauk,	Nahant,	Patapsco,
Passaic.		

GUNBOATS.

Seneca,	Ladowa,	Ottawa,
Pai Ching,	Wissahicon,	Canandaigua,
Mahaska.		

The firing was terrific, and will be resumed again to-day. Sumter begins to look like a sooty but badly stove up. The land batteries of the army on shore took a loud share in the work.

A most painful incident has cast a thrill of sorrow through the fleet. Our noble commander, Capt. George W. Rodgers, had been appointed Fleet Captain. His place was with the Admiral on the Weehawken, which acted yesterday as the flagship, but he volunteered to fight the Catskill, and came on board us temporarily.

Our crew gave him six cheers of welcome as he came on board, about 6 o'clock a. m. We then proceeded close under the walls of Sumter, pouring in our fire from about 300 feet distant. It went well until after two hours firing, when, about 9 o'clock a. m., a rebel shot struck the top of our pilot-house, in which were standing Capt. Rodgers, Paymaster Woodbury, the pilot, and a master's mate.

The cover of the Catskill's pilot-house is but two inches thick, oval in shape. The shot plunged upon the plate, bending the upper one and shattering the inner one into several pieces. Capt. Rodgers was instantly killed by one of those, which struck him on the head. Paymaster Woodbury was also killed, and the two other occupants of the pilot-house were severely injured.

As soon as this disaster was known, the Catskill immediately hauled out of range, when a tug signalled came alongside and took off the four dead and living victims of the casualty. The Catskill then went back to her work. The loss of Capt. Rodgers is one that the nation will mourn. The flags of the fleet are at half mast. This was the only accident to the fleet during yesterday's firing. Every thing looks encouraging. Admiral DuPont is determined to succeed. He was flag-officer in the stiff work of yesterday. At 10 o'clock he changed his flag to the iron clad Passaic, and with the Patapsco, proceeded to within about 1,400 yards of Sumter, and shelled the sea wall with the powerful rifled guns of those vessels for about an hour with marked effect. Sumter fired about fifty rotary shots, doing no damage to the vessels, whilst the wall of Sumter was badly marked up with damages they will not repair in a night, and not at all. The repairs on Sumter, and it will be no light undertaking, will be conducted under Federal supervision, and once restored the old flag will forever float on

THE LATE CAPT. RODGERS.

George W. Rodgers was born in New York State, but was a citizen of Connecticut, from which State he was appointed in 1838. He entered the naval service on the 20th of April of the same year. His first squadron of were to the sloop-of-war Boston, Master Commandant B. Dulany, attached to the West India squadron, under Commodore A. J. Ballet. In 1839 he was attached to the brigade Constellation, also on the West India station.

In 1840 he was at the Naval School in Philadelphia, where he was making himself proficient in his studies for the purpose of passing as a Passed Midshipman. Having received his commission as a Passed Midshipman in 1845, he was ordered to the sloop-of-war Saratoga, then attached to the squadron on the coast of Africa. He remained in her during the cruise, and on his return home in 1845 he was granted a leave of absence until 1846, when he was ordered to the steamer Colonel Harney. In 1847-8 he was attached to the sloop-of-war John Adams, of the home squadron.

In 1849 he was ordered to duty on the United States coast survey. He remained in that service about one year and then was detached. He was promoted to be a Lieutenant June 14, 1850. In 1851 he joined the sloop-of-war Germantown, of the African squadron, under Commodore F. H. Gregory, and remained in her during her three years' cruise. In 1854 he was assigned to duty at the naval rendezvous at New York, where he remained until 1857, when he was ordered to the sloop-of-war Falmouth, of the Brazilian squadron, under Commodore James Armstrong. In this vessel he performed another full cruise, and returned home May, 1859. After a short leave he was ordered to ordnance duty at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. He remained there for several months, and was then ordered to the Naval Academy, remaining there through a portion of 1861. His first command, rank-ing as a Lieutenant Commander, was the United States gunboat Tioga, from which he was detached in October, 1862. When the Iron-clad Catskill was half finished he was ordered to command her, and he came on to this city to superintend her completion. His commission as commander bore date of July 16, 1862.

THE HARBOR DEFENCES OF CHARLESTON.

The following is furnished from an authentic source as the rebel defences of Charleston harbor:

Fort Sumter	134 guns.
Fort Moultrie	50 "
Castle Pinckney	15 "
Fort Ripley	4 "
Fort Johnson	4 "
Battery on Sullivan's Island	4 "
Iron Clad Floating Battery	4 "
Battery at the City	4 "
Fort Beauregard	4 "
Battery No. 1, (Breach Inlet.)	40 "
" 2, Sullivan's Island	10 "
" 3, "	10 "
" 4, "	10 "
" 5, "	10 "
" 6, "	4 "
" 7, "	4 "
" 8, "	4 "
" 9, "	4 "
" 10, "	4 "
" 11, Wappo Creek	4 "
" 12, The Battery	4 "
" 13, Vincent's Creek	4 "
" 14, "	8 "
" 15, Ashley River	12 mortars.
" 16, Chisolm's Creek	4 guns.
" 17, Maudrin's Point	4 "
" 18, "	4 "
Batteries Nos. 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23 are on Morris Island, and have 5 guns each, making in all	25 "
Iron Clad Gunboats	10 "
Grand total	376 guns.

FEDERAL ACCOUNT OF THE SIEGE.

[Correspondence of the New York World.]
GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, MORRIS ISLAND, }
Thursday, Aug. 20, 1863. }

The bombardment of Forts Wagner, Sumter and Gregg has been kept up during the past few days with terrific ardor, by the shore batteries and the gunboats, and the result is that Sumter is a shapeless mass, the silencing of all the outposts of the citadel which gave birth to the rebellion, and upon which the last and fatal blow prepared by the Republic is about to fall.

Against the approaching and now present peril the rebels have made preparations as energetic, and perhaps as effective as could have been devised. A new sand monster gun has been mounted on Morris Island, which was christened "Lady Davis," and whose terrible howling when the ball is really opened upon Sumter, will be heard long before the first shot reaches the fort. Fort Wagner has been strengthened, and its guns, which are many, have been mounted four feet thick toward the sea. The best guns—including a new from Sumter—with which the rebel military service is provided, are planted inside this tremendous battery, and by their demoniac trade upon our vessels, and against our works while I write. Fort Sumter itself was provided with an entire new armament of guns and batteries, opening at daybreak on the 19th, poured on Battery Wagner a continuous storm, and the Ironsides, attended by a dozen monitors, opened from the south and north, and monitors from the east and west, coming close up. The fire was very damaging. The shot swept through the fort. The shell wounded several officers, including Col. Rhett. The latter is ordered to hold out until relieved or the place is taken. Col. Guilford, of Wagner, is killed, and several wounded.

It is said there are 35 vessels outside the bar, including the Ironclads.

Gen. Gilmore sent notice on Sunday that at 11 o'clock to-morrow he would open on Charleston. In the meantime the non-combatants could leave.

FORTRESS MONROE, Aug. 24.—The steamer City of Richmond arrived at Hampton Roads, yesterday, at noon. She reports having left off Charleston at noon on Saturday last. The flags of Sumter were shot away on Thursday and Friday, and no reply was made to our bombardment, which was constantly kept up. The whole of the southwest side of Sumter had been demolished, and was nothing but a heap of ruins. On Friday morning nine breaches were observed in the fort. Our casualties reversed only about four daily.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Two steam transports from off Morris Island at midnight of the 21st, report that the bombardment continued. The south wall of Sumter had been demolished almost to its base. Wagner, Gregg and other batteries replied at their leisure.

An expedition was fitting to silence the James Island batteries, which has become annoying.

Every confidence in our success was felt by all.

NORFOLK, VA., August 25.—The Richmond *Examiner* of to-day has been received containing Charleston dates of Monday. An extract says, last night at 12 o'clock the enemy opened fire on the city, firing fifteen 8-inch Parrott shells, and non-combatants are hurrying in a tremendous stampede.

WASHINGTON, August 25.—A dispatch was received here to-day, dated Fortress Monroe, saying that Capt. Chisholm reports that Fort Sumter was reduced and Charleston shelled.

NEW YORK, August 25.—The steamer Constitution arrived this afternoon from Hilton Head the 22d, and Charleston bar at 5.30 p. m., the same date. She left at anchor off Charleston bar the U. S. steamer Brooklyn, with steam up for New York, having on board the remains of Capt. Rodgers and Paymaster Woodbury of the Catskill.

The bombardment was going on with great energy—firing very rapid.

The last report from Morris Island was that Fort Sumter had not responded to our guns for two days. Fort Sumter is certainly demolished, and Fort Moultrie has been silenced.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The schooner M. Rogers, from Folly Island 20th, reports that at 6 o'clock that day, the entire top of Fort Sumter was completely gone. Every parapet gun was dismounted and knocked into the sea. The siege was progressing terribly in earnest. It was reported also that Wagner would soon surrender.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—A Morris Island letter to the *Herald*, dated August 23th states:

The appearance of the gorge face of Sumter, last night, and its parapet, was not unlike that presented by Fort Pulaski, on the evening of the first day's fire. Thirty or forty large holes could be counted on the face of the work. The parapet had been knocked off in places. The barricade of bricks covering the magazines and sand traverses was seriously damaged, and the grim old fort looked as though she had received a terrible mauling at our hands. Three days of such work will bother even Gen. Beauregard the heads of its defenders, if they will so long. It certainly cannot hold out much longer than that time. Six days were given it to hold out, by those who best know its strength and our own offensive power.

Forts Wagner and Gregg will be attended to in due time.

[Special Correspondence of the Chicago Tribune.]
UNITED STATES IRON CLAD CATSKILL, }
OFF MORRIS ISLAND, S. C., Aug. 24, 1863. }

We had a stiff fight yesterday, which we had been expecting for a week, in which the following vessels bore an active part:

IRON CLADS.

Ironsides,	Catskill,	Weehawken,
Montauk,	Nahant,	Patapsco,
Passaic.		

GUNBOATS.

Seneca,	Ladowa,	Ottawa,
Pai Ching,	Wissahicon,	Canandaigua,
Mahaska.		

The firing was terrific, and will be resumed again to-day. Sumter begins to look like a sooty but badly stove up. The land batteries of the army on shore took a loud share in the work.

A most painful incident has cast a thrill of sorrow through the fleet. Our noble commander, Capt. George W. Rodgers, had been appointed Fleet Captain. His place was with the Admiral on the Weehawken, which acted yesterday as the flagship, but he volunteered to fight the Catskill, and came on board us temporarily.

Our crew gave him six cheers of welcome as he came on board, about 6 o'clock a. m. We then proceeded close under the walls of Sumter, pouring in our fire from about 300 feet distant. It went well until after two hours firing, when, about 9 o'clock a. m., a rebel shot struck the top of our pilot-house, in which were standing Capt. Rodgers, Paymaster Woodbury, the pilot, and a master's mate.

The cover of the Catskill's pilot-house is but two inches thick, oval in shape. The shot plunged upon the plate, bending the upper one and shattering the inner one into several pieces. Capt. Rodgers was instantly killed by one of those, which struck him on the head. Paymaster Woodbury was also killed, and the two other occupants of the pilot-house were severely injured.

As soon as this disaster was known, the Catskill immediately hauled out of range, when a tug signalled came alongside and took off the four dead and living victims of the casualty. The Catskill then went back to her work. The loss of Capt. Rodgers is one that the nation will mourn. The flags of the fleet are at half mast. This was the only accident to the fleet during yesterday's firing. Every

FROM DESMOINES.

The International Postage Reform.

THE MELANCHOLY CASE OF GEN. TUTTLE.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
DESMOINES, Iowa, August 25, 1863.

Hon. John A. Kasson, who has been absent for the last three months, in attendance upon the International Postal Congress at Paris, as a delegate from the United States, arrived at his home in this city last evening. The results of his mission have far exceeded the expectations of the Government.

Through the action of the Congress, and the treaties obtained in accordance therewith, all foreign postal rates will be greatly reduced and simplified. Already three or four treaties have been formed, on the new basis abolishing general accounts between the United States and foreign countries, saving much expense in exchange, and much trouble in postal affairs.

It is the intention of the Postmaster General to obtain one rate to all countries beyond France, reserving a large reduction on existing rates, and a uniform single weight of one half ounce, with a greatly reduced rate on newspapers and other matter sent by mail.

The necessity for this reform was seen by Mr. Kasson while he was First Assistant Post Master General, and it was mainly through his exertions that the Congress was convened, and entirely through his efforts that the advantages to the United States have been received.

Brigadier General James M. Tuttle, Copperhead nominee for Governor, left Keosauqua yesterday. He had been advertised to be here last week, to receive the enthusiastic congratulations of the people, but something which the General saw in the tone of the public sentiment here in Iowa caused a countermand. ment of the programme. The general opinion is, that he will be beaten worse than Merritt was two years ago. His friends say he has gone to Chicago for medical treatment by a distinguished surgeon of your city. If he can be treated at the same time for the itching for notoriety, which he has made him a victim of Copperhead tolls, a really good officer will be released from very bad company. But loyal Iowa will effect a cure of his disease when her voters get at him.

FROM CAIRO AND BELOW.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
CAIRO, Aug. 26th, 1863.

I learn from Col. Markland, of the Post Office Department, that he has received intelligence of the death of Ben. Johnson, late Postmaster under the United States authorities, at Vicksburg.

The event occurred some six days since. Mr. Johnson is lately from New York.

It is reported in secesh circles here, that the rebel Gen. Pemberton died last week at Selma, Ala., of disease incident to the climate, while *en route* for Mobile. I give the rumor as silent, without vouching for its truth.

Gen. Grant with his Staff, Brig. Gen. Webster, and other military officers connected with the Department of the Tennessee, embarked last evening, upon the steamer City of Alton, for Memphis *en route* for Vicksburg.

Gen. Thomas, his A. A. G., Capt. Cameron, and Private Secretary Joseph A. Ware, also took passage upon the same steamer.

The steamer John H. Dickey arrived from Memphis last night, but brought no papers and no dispatches of later dates than those already received.

The Charleston, (Mo.) *Courier* of a late date, calls attention to the fact of the establishment again of trade with Cairo. A ferry boat was recently launched at Archer's Landing. The *Courier* glories considerably over the opening of that new thoroughfare; also, says negotiations are now pending for resetting the Cairo and Fulton Railroad, which if successful, travel and shipping will, in a measure, go that way, and Cairo again become the great central point of trade for the vicinity.

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

Defence of the State Against Rebel Invasion.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]
PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 25, 1863.

I learn from a reliable private source that the present mission of Gov. Curtin to Philadelphia, is

Chicago Tribune.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1862.

THREE WORKS WORTH READING.

Nearly three years ago, in the spring of 1861, before even Edmund Ruffin fired the first gun at Sumter, the slaveholders of Vicksburg fired upon the Federal flag and closed the Mississippi against Federal commerce. Had any one declared upon that occasion, that in the State of Mississippi—the home of Jeff. Davis—in Vicksburg—the very birthplace of secession, an anti-slavery paper would be in full side of successful opposition to the then three years, he would have been hinged to the first tree by the Rebels, and mocked at as a madman by the Federals. But time works wonders, and in the revolution of its wheel, the right must "some time come uppermost."

The march of Free Labor is eternal and unconquerable, and the old dame who tried to beat back the surges of the Atlantic from her door, with a broom, was not more foolish than the man who tries to oppose his feeble strength against the on-sweeping tide of human rights. Free labor is the very pith and marrow of the question at issue upon Southern fields. You may pile obstacles before it mountain high, in vain. If it cannot burst the barriers, it will, as surely as the tide, rise and surmount them, forever burying them out of sight. Fossilized men and measures, the rubbish of feudal ages, the relics of slavery and barbarism, all the dogmas, tenets, and doctrines, which through so many years, in Southern and some Northern pulpits, forums, and presses, have proclaimed the right of property in man, are being swept away, and the new and glorious light of Christianity, Civilization, and Free Labor is everywhere shedding its benign influence.

Anti-slavery journals are now printed in Tennessee, South Carolina and Louisiana, and the corresponding change in public sentiment begins to manifest itself in these slavery-ridden States. Three years ago, the bold articles appearing in these sheets, advocating Free Labor, would have consigned the writers to the dungeon. But the advance of the Right is not confined to those States. Even in Mississippi, the home of slavery and the theatre of its worst cruelties, an anti-slavery journal is to be immediately issued. Mr. F. Montgomery, formerly editor of the Vicksburg *Whig*, but for a year past an exile from his home, has issued a prospectus for a weekly paper to be published in that place, under the name of the Vicksburg *Union*, having the following object, among others, which we quote from its prospectus:

"While the *Union* will scrupulously avoid all causes of fanaticism, it will, nevertheless, advocate in the most solemn and earnest manner *the entire and immediate extinction of the cause of all the present troubles, and the curse of the South—African slavery.*"

Surely the friends of free labor have no cause to complain. The dawn of a beautiful morning is reddening upon the horizon of our country. The mists are dispersing. The foul congregation of vapors which has polluted our political atmosphere, is fast disappearing. Under the beneficent influences of Free Labor, peace shall return, and those fields which hitherto have witnessed but the clank of the fetter and the cruel lash of the driver, shall blossom like the rose.

ANOTHER LETTER TO JEFF DAVIS.

The following letter was found in the house of Jeff. Davis' brother Joe, in Jackson; the original is in the hands of an Illinois soldier. It is printed just as it is written:

PLANTER CITY, May 8th, 1862.

HON. JEFF DAVIS:—Permit me to introduce my friend Judge Sand Treat, of St. Louis in this State. Judge Treat is the intimate friend of Edwin A. Polick, a political clique of the *Nullification, Secession and Black Republican school in which I belong.* He understands the true position of parties and men in this State, I desire that you will receive him with kindness and courtesy. *Refer to Me* and act as you think best.

(Signed.) D. R. ATCHISON.

We need hardly inform our readers who D. R. Atchison is, especially in the light of the terrible reminiscences called up by the recent sacking of Lawrence. Atchison, a native of Kentucky, removed to Missouri in 1830, and was elected to the United States Senate in 1841, where he remained until 1855. He was always the leader and adviser of the pro-slavery party. In 1856 he led the border ruffians in the attack upon Lawrence, and under his orders were perpetrated the infernal enormities which we have found a supplement in his recent sacking of that ill-fated city. His principles are indicated in his own letter—

NULLIFICATION, SECESSION AND HIGH TREASON. Whatever else may be said of Atchison, he should have the credit of speaking his mind freely and without evasion or equivocation. Ten years ago Mr. Atchison writes to Jeff. Davis that his friend Judge Treat belongs to the "Secession" school. It seems the word was known then, and was not a chimera but an absolute certainty. That conspiracy was in full tide of operation, the object of which was Secession and High Treason unblushingly proclaimed, without a qualifying condition. Time is rapidly unraveling the knotted skein. Reynolds, Larmon, Brodhead, Hackley, Buchanan, Atchison and Treat. How many more were engaged! How many more names are to be inscribed on the page of history with Arnold and Iscariot?

THE REPUBLIC NO FAILURE.

There has been something too much of a captious and insulting spirit manifested against us by the arrogant aristocracy of Europe. They are continually taunting us with failure, and incapacity to manage our own affairs, and if we were babies in abnormal petticoats. And they have based these impudent assaults upon the fact that after well nigh a century of national prosperity and happiness, we suddenly find ourselves in the midst of a great rebellion, instigated by our own citizens for the avowed purpose of destroying the Government.

We confess it is an ugly charge; and it would be uglier still if the rebels were Republicans, pretending to love the country which they have cursed with their existence. But it so happens that, although nominally a part of the Republic, they are now, and always have been the greatest enemies of the Constitution and of popular Government. They had that devil's nightmare of Slavery thrown over their souls at the very time when they entered with our venerable fathers into the political and social compact of the United States; and this element of Slavery fostered and encouraged anything but free thoughts and actions—and became the prolific source of that despotism which has marked the Southern career, and which has finally issued in the rebellion which we all deplore, and which by God's help we shall speedily subdue.

It is a malicious calumny, however, to charge this rebellion as the result of republican government. The slave States were an oligarchy from the beginning, and contained within themselves the seeds not only of rebellion to the government which they had sworn to live and die by, but of their own destruction. Republican government has never had a fair trial. How could it have a fair trial, least of all in this country, with that dreadful lie of slavery bound up in the laws of so many of its States, and permeating all the centres and circumferences of its life? How was it possible that a republic profoundly founded on freedom and the equal rights of man, could exist otherwise than as a blasphemy against God and man, whilst in fifteen of the States four millions of slaves were continually crying against the falsehood of its pretensions, and the masters of those slaves were using their dumb millions to strike at its life, and refuse it to a place of organization to serve, without question, their own designs and purposes?

Our theme is not now this rebellion in its relations to the Republic, but the Republic should have grown to the stately proportions which it assumes to-day, in spite of the incubus of slavery and the combined efforts of the slave masters to crush it. That is the real wonder; and if we had time and space, we could show from the record of national progress in all the directions of civilization and commerce, of intellectual and material greatness, with fewer blots of civil commotion and popular outbursts, than any other nation in the world can show for itself, within the same space of time. This is no boast; it is a fact of which history herself is the engraver! Compared with the old European nations, the entire field of time which our history covers is but as a dot in the landscape. We look thirteen years to make a century of national life. And we ask our friends in Europe and elsewhere, who sneer at the performances of this Republic, to try if they can take the measure of them.

We found here a wilderness, and we have planted it with the innumerable cities of a mighty nation, and all the vast and teeming energies of commerce and a Christian civilization.

A New Governor of Arizona.

Acting Gov. McCormick, Judge Allen and other officers of the Territory of Arizona, in an interview with the President, on Saturday last, urged the importance of an immediate appointment of a Governor of that Territory in the place of John A. Gurley deceased. They named Hon. John N. Goodwin, as member of Congress from Maine, and now Chief Justice of that Territory. The President brought the subject before the Cabinet at noon, the appointment was agreed upon, and Judge Turner of Iowa, was elected as Chief Justice. An expedition to Arizona will start from New York during the coming week. It will be accompanied by Secretary Arny, of New Mexico, who is now there.

☞ The Nashville *Union*, thus clearly and succinctly puts the point at issue in this war:

"We can ignore the fire and extinguish the flames just as easily as we can ignore slavery and put down the rebellion. Why (!) the rebellion is to slavery what a cough is to consumption; only its legitimate manifestation. We cannot avoid the slavery question; we must either settle it or it will settle us most effectually, forever."

It will be remembered that this is from a journal published in a slave state.

The Draft in California.

The following circular regulates the draft in the State of California:

WAR DEPARTMENT,
PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, Friday, Aug. 22, 1862.

CIRCULAR No. 75.—By direction of the President of the United States, the State of California has been divided into three enrollment districts, as follows:

The counties of Butler, Colusa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Klamath, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo and Yuba, to constitute the first district, with the usual rendezvous and quarters at Marysville.

The counties of Amador, Calaveras, Eldorado, Mono, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tuolumne to constitute and to be known as the Middle District, with quarters at Sacramento.

The counties of Alameda, Buena Vista, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, San Benito, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Cruz and San Francisco, to constitute and to be known as the Southern District, headquarters at San Francisco.

By order of the PROVOST MARSHAL General.

CLAIMED TO DRAFT EXEMPTION.

The following is an extract from the Provost Marshal General's circular issued to-day:

The attention of Provost Marshals is called to that part of paragraph 81 regulations, which is as follows:

"The amount of evidence herein required to establish a claim to exemption is the least which the nature of the case will admit of, and if in any case less reason to doubt the character or the sufficiency of the evidence offered, the claim should be granted, as it may require to be presented in time to be considered without fault of the party claiming exemption, unless such additional proof as it may require be presented in time to be considered without fault of the party claiming exemption, unless such additional proof as it may require be presented in time to be considered without fault of being converted by the Provost Marshals are required to telegraph daily to the Provost Marshal General after the action of the Examining Board, the number of drafted men held, substitutes accepted, paid commutations, exempted and discharged by reason of age or disease, total examined and sent to general rendezvous.

Important Orders of General Meade.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
August 21, 1862.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 80.—First. For the purpose of giving full freedom of choice to this army in the selection of newspapers, it is ordered that any officer or enlisted man willing to purchase any daily journal not now furnished by the agent appointed under the provisions of the circular of June 5, may give notice thereof to the Provost Marshal of the command to which he belongs, who shall forward the same through the Provost Marshal of his corps to the Provost Marshal General, who shall instruct said agent to furnish the same without delay, and a neglect on his part to comply with the instructions will be held sufficient cause for vacating his appointment.

Second—It appearing in several instances that the payment of the pay of wounded of this army has been delayed by reason of their descriptive lists having been signed by non-commissioned officers temporarily commanding companies, it is ordered that whenever from any cause the signature of a commissioned officer of a company cannot be obtained, the said list shall be signed by a field officer or by the Adjutant of the regiment to which the company belongs.

Third—The reports called for by paragraph 5, General Orders No. 62, of June 12, 1863, from Brigade, Division, Corps and Captains of companies, will be made monthly, and will state, in addition to the name and rank of every officer and the list of the wounded, and the name and regiment of the soldier employed, and the length of time each service has been rendered.

Fourth—No non-commissioned officer or private can give his parole except through an officer, and no officer, for himself or his command, can, under any circumstances, give a military parole not to serve until exchanged, except when detailed by an officer of the United States duly authorized to receive it, at one of the points agreed upon by the Government for the exchange of prisoners of war, or except by order of a superior officer of the commander of an army to which he belongs. All other paroles are null and void. Any officer or soldier of this army giving them will be returned to duty without exchange, and will be punished for disobedience of orders.

By command of Major General MEADE.

S. WILLIAMS, A. A. G.

The Slaves of all Disloyal Men in Western Missouri to be Taken into Waiters.

HEADQUARTERS DISTRICT OF THE BORDER,
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 16, 1862.

GENERAL ORDER No. 9.—I. Lieutenant Colonel Jas. H. Lane, 6th regiment, M. S. M., will, as often as may be necessary, visit the several military stations in that part of the District of the Border, in Missouri, and ascertain what negroes are there who desire escort out of Missouri, and were the slaves of persons who, since the 11th day of July, 1861, have been engaged in the rebellion, or have in any way given aid or comfort thereto. He will receive into his charge all such negroes at each of such stations, and at the persons to whom the disloyalty of their masters may be known, and will give one copy of such list to the Commander of such station, and forward one to these headquarters. He will receive receipts for such persons from the officers to whom he delivers them, and report public notice of the first at which he will be engaged in such duty at each station. He will be governed by the laws of war and the rules by special written instructions received from or through these headquarters.

II. Commanders of such stations will furnish from time to time, as they may be called for by commanders of escorts, copies of the lists in their possession, and from them; and will issue rations, where necessary, to negroes named in such lists who are unable to remove from them without such aid. Such a listing there, until escort can be furnished them to a place of safety where they can support themselves.

III. Commanders of companies and detachments serving in that part of Missouri included in the district will give escort and subsistance, where practicable, to all negroes named in such certified lists, to Independence, Kansas City, Leavenworth, or Fort Scott, as the accompanying chart to these headquarters all such negroes fit for military service, and willing to enlist.

By order of Brigadier General Ewing.

P. B. PEDEN,
Major and Chief of Staff.

Vagaries of the Draft.

(From the Cincinnati Times, Aug. 19th.)

One of the editors and two of the clerks in the *Tribune* office, one of the editors of the *News*, and one of the reporters of the *Commercial* office, have been drafted into the Fifteenth wards, and yesterday Mr Fitzpatrick, the New Orleans correspondent of the *Herald*, was drafted from the Fifth ward.

Half a dozen students were drafted yesterday, from the Theological Seminary on Twenty-third street. Those who "put their trust in God and keep their powder dry" will be likely to make good soldiers.

Mr. Gerard Hendricks, foreman of Eagine Company No. 24; Michael Gallagher, assistant foreman of Eagine Company No. 42; Richard Hodges, of Hook, Ladder and Truck Co. No. 30, and Geo. W. Keen, of No. 2 Engine Company, and brother of the wounded fireman, Solomon Keen, were drafted in the Fifteenth district, yesterday. Some of them were present when their names were announced, and were cheered by the crowd as they left.

The names of several colored conscripts were announced yesterday. An intensified nigger (who, we understand, is over the fifteenth ward) remarked that he "believed in negroes fighting." No person objected to the remark.

Colonel Kinney, of the Fifteenth, is opposed to the black man's enlisting. The color of the negro would be a distinct mark for the rifle shot of the rebel sharpshooters, and all loyal people are glad to see good fighters of any color go to the front. It is understood that they cannot vote for Colonel Kinney.

In Maryland, the Fifth, Eighth and Seventh wards are now home in them should they return crowned with victory and honor.

Adjutant E. Wood of Gen Goodrich's staff, Jacob Parmer, a police officer, George Bedford, a detective; Patrick Groff, a member of the Vanmeter Hall Committee; William Starr, a member of the Board of Aldermen, and Charles A. Clarke, a member of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, and Wm. A. Hooker, one of the Committee of Inspection, were among those who were drawn.

DESERVED APPOINTMENT.—We learn that Col. Thomas Worthington, of Chillicothe, has received the appointment of Superintendent of Indian Affairs in Utah, with his headquarters at Salt Lake City. Col. W. will start from Chillicothe on the 1st of September. His family will remain here.—*Charleston, Ill., Courier.*

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Damage of Conservatism.

What it is Doing in Kentucky and Maryland.

[From Our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, Saturday, Aug. 24, 1862.

In ordinary times, when there is no reason to suspect the fidelity of any citizen to the country, I confess that I cannot approve the proscriptive spirit which would assail of every public functionary, and recipient of the patronage of the Administration, a hearty and cordial support of the public policy of the dominant party. But in the extraordinary circumstances in which the nation now finds itself, political tolerance extended to one who acts at heart with the traitors in arms, to men who are not thoroughly and cordially in sympathy with the Administration in its efforts to suppress the rebellion—in a word, to men whose attachment to slavery is, to say the least, as strong as their attachment to their country—is the very error of the hour. It may be amiable, but it is weak. It may be well meant, but it has all the sure elements of a wicked mistake. It is necessary to future peace, for reasons above given, and self respect also requires it. What need is there of laughing at the possibility of a Democratic President? What need is there to conciliate rebels who by their own statement are in arms without a cause? Let us rather require what private and personal opinion we please, but concord, peace, prosperity and greatness. The very terms proposed by these slaveholding rebels are a confession of weakness. Maryland, to the pending political contest in that State between the unqualified friends of the Union and of freedom on the one hand, and the sympathizers with treason on the other, and from what I know to be the state of things here, the Confederate sadly flatters, affirms me that the United States officials were almost to a man against Clay Smith in his contest with Boyle, the negro-catching Colonel; that the whole Post Office corps, as well as those connected with the War Department, supported Boyle, who was, nevertheless elected, together with a so called Democratic candidate, by the outspoken Republican, Smith. A similar course was pursued in other States, the active parties of the officials being the candidates least obnoxious to the slave interest.

In Maryland a parallel state of things exists. A correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, in a letter dated Baltimore, enumerates by name, all the important local officials, whether connected with the postoffice or treasury, as imagined against Henry Winter Davis, the uncompromising emancipation candidate for Congress, in one of the Baltimore districts, and against Mr. Goldsborough, the emancipation candidate for the State at large. Another correspondent, in one of the Baltimore dispatches, says the influence which is at the bottom of this treacherous policy is imputed to the correspondent of the New York *Journal*, to Mr. Blair, who claims residence in Maryland, and who is suspected of indulging considerable hope that the Democratic party may yet be saved to the South to regain the political ascendency which it formerly held. Is it safe to pay any part of the damage in destruction of property? Is she to give any guarantee that, if admitted to her standing, she will in future behave herself worthy of the high privileges of a place in the front rank of the States? Is the sword ever to sever the head of treason? Is it ever to be sheathed? Is there to be no punishment for the crime of secession? The North is to give her guarantees. The Constitution is to be amended for the benefit of traitors.

Could a subtler example of prevarication be imagined? There is your answer, in a characteristic form. The North is battle, compelled to surrender his arms? She is accustomed to commend, she expects to conquer even the conqueror.

If he assumes to dictate terms to his conqueror, how will he act toward political associates in a different state?

The simple truth is, that the friends of free government for this country and for the world, require that the basis of reconstruction shall be loyalty to one's irresponsible will, should be discontinued. We must have a nation of men accustomed to respect the rights of others, and to submit with the issue of battle, as men who are not thoroughly and cordially in sympathy with the Administration in its efforts to suppress the rebellion—in a word, to men whose attachment to slavery is, to say the least, as strong as their attachment to their country—is the very error of the hour. It may be amiable, but it is weak. It may be well meant, but it has all the sure elements of a wicked mistake. It is necessary to future peace, for reasons above given, and self respect also requires it. What need is there of laughing at the possibility of a Democratic President? What need is there to conciliate rebels who by their own statement are in arms without a cause? Let us rather require what private and personal opinion we please, but concord, peace, prosperity and greatness. The very terms proposed by these slaveholding rebels are a confession of weakness. Maryland, to the pending political contest in that State between the unqualified friends of the Union and of freedom on the one hand, and the sympathizers with treason on the other, and from what I know to be the state of things here, the Confederate sadly flatters, affirms me that the United States officials were almost to a man against Clay Smith in his contest with Boyle, the negro-catching Colonel; that the whole Post Office corps, as well as those connected with the War Department, supported Boyle, who was, nevertheless elected, together with a so called Democratic candidate, by the outspoken Republican, Smith. A similar course was pursued in other States, the active parties of the officials being the candidates least obnoxious to the slave interest.

In Maryland a parallel state of things exists. A correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, in a letter dated Baltimore, enumerates by name, all the important local officials, whether connected with the postoffice or treasury, as engaged

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1868.

THE CITY.

TO CONTENT MERCHANTS.—Country Merchants visiting Chicago to buy Goods for the fall trade, can save money by ordering their Handbills, Cards, Bill Heads, &c., at this office. We do all kinds of Job Printing.
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SEVERE ASSAULT.—During a melee in a saloon on Monday night, a German named Dean, was struck over the head with a heavy glass tumbler, and a chair, inflicting wounds of so serious a nature that the examination of his assailants, Kuhn and Waldweller, has been postponed for several days.

ACCIDENT IN THE RURAL DISTRICTS.—A son of E. H. Nelson, of Barrington, while at work with a mowing machine, on Monday last, unfortunately got in front of the knives, and had his right foot lacerated and cut entirely off. Dr. Beebe, of this city, who was summoned to the case, amputated the leg, and the lad is doing well.

THE GERMAN NEWSPAPER IMBROGLIO.—An assault and battery case was tried before Justice DeWolf yesterday, in which L. Lampert, of the *Telegraph*, was plaintiff, and A. C. Hesing, of the *Staats Zeitung*, defendant. A jury of twelve native born Americans was impanelled, who, after hearing the case, honorably acquitted the defendant, Mr. Hesing.

BILLIARD MATCH.—A grand billiard match will be played this evening at Metropolitan Hall, commencing at half past seven o'clock, between Washington Campbell and Frank Parkes, of this city, upon one of J. M. Brunswick & Bro's tables. The game will be the American carom, 1000 points, on a pocket table. As both players are professionals of rare skill, an interesting game is looked for.

SUDDEN DEATH.—Frederick Wilhelm Schall a native of Germany, aged 39 years, died at his residence on the Archer Road, near Lime street. He had complained all day of being unwell, and as a physician was examining his tongue the patient fell back dead in the bed. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict, upon examination, that he had died of congestion of the lungs.

LAYING A CORNER STONE.—MASONIC GRANDMASTER.—The corner stone of the new St. Paul's Episcopal Church, at Hyde Park, will be laid on the 1st of September, at 4 o'clock p. m., with appropriate Masonic and religious ceremonies. Grand Master Blair will officiate, and the lodges of the city will take part on the occasion. We shall publish hereafter a more particular programme of the proceedings.

OBITUARY.—We regret to learn of the death of Edwin S. Walker, a young man of this city, under painful circumstances. He had made the tour of the lakes for his health and died very suddenly at Buffalo in convulsions, to which he was subject. The deceased was a prominent graduate of the High School and a member of the Jefferson Street M. E. Church. He was a young man estimable in every walk of life and leaves a large circle of sorrowing friends.

REWARD OF IMPOSITION.—Some unprincipled parties have put up a large amount of worthless stuff called Saleratus, and scattered it all over the Western States, much to the detriment of D. B. De Land & Co.'s excellent Saleratus. This worthless stuff is put up in blue or green paper and called "——," B. De Land & Co.'s Housewives' Favorite," while D. B. De Land & Co.'s Housewives' Favorite or Chemical Saleratus is put up in bright red papers. Beware of the imposition.

WESTERN INVENTIONS.—Patents were issued to the following named Western inventors during the week ending August 4th: Allen Schenck, Chicago, metallic basket; C. C. Stearns, Homer, Ill., for cultivator; C. G. Hunt, Quincy, furnace and steam boilers; Hagen Webster, Elgin, car coupling; A. S. Markham, Monmouth, Ill., cultivator; John Goland, Batavia, improved pump; C. E. Mead, Denmark, Iowa, cultivator; G. W. Smith, Linn county, Iowa, bee hive; Wm. V. Parry, Burnett, Wis., take up for sewing machines.

RECENT INQUESTS IN THESE MONTHS.—Except in case of some dreadful accident or calamity, the Coroner has seldom been called upon to hold as many inquests in any one quarter, as since the 1st of June. Of the eighty inquests held in less than three months, twenty have been upon cases of drowning, five or six from falling from buildings, a few from sun-stroke, &c. This is an average of nearly one inquest per day, since the 1st of June. That the Coroner is attentive to the duties incumbent upon him, may be inferred, if from no other source, from the frequent attacks made upon him by a paper that never tells the truth intentionally.

WELCOME HOME.—Lieut. Colonel Joseph Stockton, of the 79 (1st Board of Trade) regiment, arrived home on Monday evening from Natchez, where his regiment is now serving in the command of Gen. Ransom. One year ago Col. Stockton left this city as first Lieutenant in Co. A, of the 73d, and it would seem, from his rapid promotion, that his services have been appreciated. During the memorable attack on Vicksburg, May 22d, 1863, the lamented Colonel Wright received his death wounds, the command of the regiment devolved on Colonel Stockton, who then earned and received high commendation from his General for his gallant bearing.

SANITARY COMMISSION—ONIONS WANTED.—The Sanitary Commission is receiving calls from the army and hospitals for fresh supplies of onions. They are considered not only a comfort, but a necessity, in the Southern climate, and will, alone, prevent scorbutic diseases. It is almost too early in the season to send potatoes, but onions, pickled cabbage, and sauer kraut any and ought to be sent in great abundance. What the brave boys need we really owe them. Cancel the debt we cannot, but every man, woman and old society will unite to pay a part of it, and that by contributing largely to the health and comfort of the army, in the sweltering, malarious climate of the South.

ARREST OF A CONFIDENCE OPERATOR.—John Smith White arrived in this city on Monday evening, from Aurora, and was at once taken in hand by a railroad runner named B. F. Gaylord, who proposed to show him through the city. The two made a visit to several saloons, and by two o'clock Gaylord had got White insensibly intoxicated. Two policemen, Kinney and Clayton, watched Gaylord's movements, and at about two o'clock a. m. arrested the parties. White's pocket-book was found in Gaylord's pocket, and as another party could explain to the Police Justice when and how the transfer was made, Gaylord was held to bail for trial in the Recorder's Court, in the sum of $400.

RAILROAD EXCURSION TO NIAGARA FALLS.—There has been no excursion, this season, that combined so many attractive features as that to Niagara Falls on the 12th. No one ever yet tired of looking at that great natural curiosity, and those who have not visited the Falls should by all means improve this opportunity. The train leaves here on Tuesday morning, the 25th, passing over the Michigan Central Railroad to Suspension Bridge, and, on the return, via the Great Western Railway of Canada, and arrive at Niagara early on Wednesday morning. Parties who desire can spend two days in sight-seeing, and arrive at home on Friday morning. Tickets for the excursion are now on sale at the Rooms of the Young Men's Association, and from indications there will be a good up to the night of the 24th. Families and parties from the interior, and from towns on the line of the Michigan Central, can come to Chicago, and easily get the attendants of the excursion. Those who contemplate making the excursion should secure their tickets at once, as the number will be limited. [Adv.

BY THE BRIDGE.—Yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, a horse attached to a buggy containing a gentleman and lady, became frightened at the bridge, and ran away. The lady jumped out, and was severely injured. The gentleman succeeded in stopping the horse before any further damage was done.

SUNSTROKE.—Yesterday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, a man named Thomas Hogan was prostrated by the heat, on the corner of Lake and Wells streets, and was taken to the Police Station, where he was attended by Dr. Hall, who pronounced the case one of sunstroke. Hogan resides at No. 69 Fulton street.

CHICAGO DRIVING PARK.

Yesterday's Trot for $300.

Yesterday was a beautiful day for an out of door meeting of the character called together on the course of the Chicago Driving Park Association. The air was bracing, cool, and yet not uncomfortably so. About one thousand persons were on the grounds, embracing some of our wealthiest and most respectable citizens and their families. No more quiet and orderly crowd ever gathered on a race-course in this city. The police regulations were excellent. No liquor was sold, and not a drunken man was seen.

Directors James Van Etta, H. H. Yates, and U. H. Crosby, acted as judges. Director Myrick acslaied during the last heat. President Thompson, being the owner of one of the horses in the race, did not officiate.

The horses were called promptly at three o'clock, but did not make their appearance for half an hour. The owner of "Cooley" having withdrawn him, only four were to go. They drew for places in the following order: "Silas Rich" drew the pole; "Prairie Boy" 2d; "Abe Lincoln" 3d; "Scalpel" 4th.

THE FIRST HEAT.—A good deal of time was consumed in getting a start. It was after four o'clock before the tap of the drum announced that the race had commenced. "Prairie Boy" led as they passed the first quarter pole, in 40 seconds, pretty close together. "Silas Rich" was close up, and "Scalpel," crowding rapidly, and perceptibly closing upon them. "Prairie Boy" passed the half-mile pole ahead in 1.19, when "Scalpel" lapped and soon passed him, and the three-quarter pole in 1.58, with "Silas Rich" close behind. Soon after turning to come home, "Silas Rich" passed "Scalpel" again, and for a time it was difficult to decide which would win the heat. Just before reaching the stand, however, "Scalpel" broke badly, and "Silas Rich" passed the score, close followed by "Prairie Boy" with "Scalpel" third in the heat. After weighing, the judges announced the heat as belonging to "Silas Rich." Time, 2.38 1-2.

SECOND HEAT.—The horses responded promptly to the call of the judges; but they did not get a send-off until after repeated trials. Again "Prairie Boy" led at the quarter pole in 40 1-2 seconds. Close behind, and lapping him was "Scalpel" and "Silas Rich," "Lincoln" having dropped behind two or three lengths. "Scalpel" passed the three quarter pole ahead in 1.58, "Silas Rich" contesting the race closely. These two horses came down the home stretch together in splendid style. Just before reaching the score "Silas Rich" broke badly, and the heat was given "Scalpel." Time, 2.38 1-2.

THIRD HEAT.—The horses were not long in getting a start, "Silas Rich" leading. "Prairie Boy" was second until the quarter pole was passed, when "Scalpel," as in the other heats, began to give proof of his bottom, and gained perceptibly, closing up, lapping, and passing the half mile pole a half length ahead in 1.20. "Silas Rich" and "Scalpel" gradually left "Prairie Boy" behind. The three-quarter pole was passed by "Scalpel" in 1.57, and down home he came with "Silas Rich," lapping him. The heat was won by "Scalpel" in 2.36.

FOURTH HEAT.—After one or two efforts, the horses were finally started. "Silas Rich" led at the first quarter, passing in 40 seconds. Soon after he broke badly, lost, gained and was passed by "Scalpel," leaving "Prairie Boy third, and "A. Lincoln" pegging away behind. "Scalpel" passed the half mile in 1.19. Again "Silas Rich" broke badly and gained a length. He did not close the gap by this gain between him and "Scalpel," who passed the three-quarter pole in 1.56; but the horses had scarcely turned down the home stretch before "Silas Rich" did some of the finest trotting of the day. He soon passed "Scalpel," and came in at the score three or four lengths ahead, increasing the gap between himself and "Scalpel" more by downright hard trotting than he had gained by breaking, the judges decided. There were some complaints among outsiders because of this decision; but the judges had stationed patrol judges where the horses could be watched, because of complaints made in a previous heat. These patrols reported a gain of half a length. The judges charged him with a whole length, which he more than paid, and won the heat in 2.35 1-2.

There was also complaint made among outsiders who had money at stake, that the driver of "Scalpel" was trying to "throw the race" —was trotting to lose. The judges had seen no evidence of this; but on making the complaint known to the driver of "Scalpel," Mr. Black, he promptly offered to let outsiders substitute their own driver. Bob Chapplin was accordingly substituted.

FIFTH AND LAST HEAT.—The horses got a good send-off the second trial. "Silas Rich" and "Scalpel" passed the first quarter close together, "Silas Rich" a neck ahead. "Abe Lincoln" was also leading "Prairie Boy." "Silas Rich" passed the half mile pole in 1.20, the track being closely contested by "Scalpel." "Silas Rich" had made but one break, and gained nothing. It was the handsomest speeding of the day, and exceedingly exciting. Round the three-quarter pole they came, in the same relative position, and down the home stretch, trotting as squarely and closely as ever horses did. Spectators, and especially those pecuniarily interested, held their breath in suspense; but the heat was soon decided by "Silas Rich," coming in a full length or more ahead, and winning the heat and the purse in 2.39. The following is the score:

"Silas Rich,"	1	2	2	1
"Scalpel,"	2	1	1	2
"Prairie Boy,"	3	3	3	3
"Abe Lincoln,"	4	4	4	4

Time—2.38 1-2—2.36—2.39.

To day there is trotting for a purse of $200, to be given to the fastest trotting horse, mare, gelding or filly, to harness, that has never trotted in public previous to July 20th, 1868, faster than 2.45. The following horses have been named for this trot:

Jas. Cairn Simpson names	"Nabo-Bah."
W. F. Myrick,	"Davy."
Chas. B. Ewald,	by her guiding
William Patrick	"Jersey Boy."

There will be no racing to day, but one entry having been made for the purse offered. The horses will be called promptly at three o'clock; the trotting will commence at 1 1-2 o'clock. If the weather is good, there will be an interesting trial of speed between the above named horses. Two of them we learn are strangers here.

AN IMPORTANT LAW SUIT.

The Chicago, Alton and St. Louis Railroad Enjoined From Paying its Semi-Annual Dividend.

The history of the Chicago, Alton and St. Louis Railroad has been a varied one from the date of its opening to the present time. Many have been the vicissitudes, which in its ten years operations, have come upon it, and new just as success has rewarded its new managers for their untiring energy and practical skill, and just as the long-suffering stockholders were about to enjoy the luxury of a dividend, already declared, of 8½ per cent. on their shares, a civil tribunal puts forth the authority of the law, and managers and stockholders are compelled to wait yet a little longer. The first semi-annual dividend under the new management was declared a few days ago, and was payable on the 25th inst. (yesterday). Before, however, any payments could have been made, Judge Williams, of the Circuit Court of this county, issued an injunction restraining the Company from paying this, or any dividend until a hearing could be had on a bill which had previously been filed by Corydon Wood, Esq., of this city, who alleges that he is a creditor of the road, and that his claim should be paid before any profits are divided. The facts as stated in the bill are briefly as follows:

Previous to August 31, 1858, this road had been Chartered and nearly completed, and was at that time operated by the old corporation. Three sets of bonds had been issued, and a mortgage executed to secure the payment of the 1st, 2d and 3d mortgage. On the 31st of that month the Company executed a lease to the Bank of Commerce, of Baltimore, by which the bank should pay the interest on the bonds, taking debts due on the line of the road. Mr. Spooner went into possession of the road, and refused for the payment of only a part of the interest due on the bonds. The 1st and 2d mortgagees commenced process of foreclosure, but defences were brought and claiming that the lease was fraudulent, and the cases proceeded no further. The Company then passed into the hands of Fullerton, Brower & Co., and assuming all their interest subject to the Spooner lease, and the trusts secured thereon.

By reason of conversions the property became vested in Matthias J. Birdsall, from whom it was transferred to the present corporation. The bondholders failing to get possession of the road under the decree of foreclosure, then brought a bill in the United States Court to carry into effect the trusts of the mortgage, by which the receipts of the road were to be applied to the payment of the interest on the bonds and coupons. The case was referred to Master in Chancery Bradley, who reported that there was due on the bonds and coupons the sum of $1,200,000. Exceptions were taken to the report, and the case is now pending before Judge Drummond, in the United States Court. The Bank of Commerce, of Baltimore, Md., it is alleged, has recently purchased $400,000 of the bonds, and the Company, it is alleged, is about to declare a dividend to pay the interest on the bonds held by the Bank of Commerce, Baltimore, Md.—It's alleged from the bonds held by Wood, Esq., and others, that the Bank of Commerce, Baltimore, Md., is not a party to the suit now pending in the United States Court, and that the Company